

# LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

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**Clerk's Sales.**—W. H. Kerr, Clerk. Sheriff's Sales.—Jno. D. McCarley, Sheriff.

**Mortgage Sale.**—George Alden, Agent.

## Local Briefs.

Monday was spring-like and pleasant—unusual weather for this season of the year.

In spite of many drawbacks the Chester Fair, held last week, is said to have been a very decided success.

Mr. J. R. Boyles has brought to our office some beautiful cherry blossoms. Something unusual for November.

The Commissioners of Election will aggregate and declare the vote of this county to-day. There are no contests or protests.

The election passed off quietly all over the county, and the vote polled was very light. The Republican vote really amounted to nothing.

Our young friend Mr. Jos. K. Aiston has been recently dubbed "Colonel" by gentlemen in authority in Newberry. We congratulate Mr. Aiston on his promotion.

An old colored man named Ben Emerson took suddenly and desperately ill near the market on Monday morning. He was taken to his home and properly cared for.

All persons owing us for grain are earnestly requested to settle by the 15th of October, and are notified that the cotton option expires on that day.

**STEWART & CENTER.**—Subscribers to THE NEWS AND HERALD need not wait for the coming of our canvasser, in order to pay their dues. We shall be very glad to see them at our office in Winnsboro.

We have heard a few of our planters say that they made fully an average crop of cotton this year, and that they expect to hold it, hoping for better prices.

It is expected that the good news concerning the national election will largely increase the attendance upon the State Fair. Quite a number of people will go down from Fairfield.

Governor Thompson has ordered a special election to be held in the fourth Congressional District on the 24th inst., to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the Hon. John H. Evans.

The committee of the grand jury, acting under the order passed at the last term of the Court of General Sessions, is now engaged in the examination of the books and papers of the several county officials.

Willis Johnson and Bolin Gregory, for years two of the most notorious Republicans in Fairfield county, voted the straight Democratic ticket, State and National ticket at Monticello on the 4th inst. Gregory voted for Hampton in 1876.

Winnsboro was blessed with two bulletin boards on Tuesday night and Wednesday morning. Excited Democrats hung around the telegraph offices, thirsting for news, until two o'clock in the morning. Nothing then could, up to that time, be learned, and the men dispersed and went to their homes.

Winnsboro got up a little enthusiasm over the election of Cleveland, on Friday night when the latest telegram from General Izlar to Major Woodward was received. The Cornet Band gave some fine music, rockets and fire-crackers were shot off, and everybody said, "Hurrah for Cleveland!"

A young lady in Columbia has two very devoted lovers in that city, and being perplexed as to how to decide between them, she decided (the young gentlemen consenting) to marry Mr. A. if Cleveland was elected, and Mr. B. if Blaine was elected. The issue between Messrs. Blaine and Cleveland is still undecided, and it is natural to suppose that the young lovers are trembling in their boots. We hope she will marry the Cleveland fellow.

In a day or two the canvasser for THE NEWS AND HERALD will start upon a tour through the county. We trust that all indebted will find it convenient to settle in full, and that many new subscribers will be added to our list. During the past year we have been at much expense and labor to give the good people of Fairfield a better paper than ever before, and the only return we ask is that every subscriber simply pay that for which we have already given full value.

**TAKE NOTICE.**—All parties owing us for grain must settle on or before the 15th of October as the cotton option expires on that day. After the 15th they will have to pay the money value of their notes.

R. J. McCarley & Co.

**PARADE.**—The annual parade of the Regulars, a colored fire company, was given on last Friday afternoon. There was a full turnout of the company and the display was, in every respect, quite a creditable one. The members of the company treated themselves and a few invited guests to a good supper in the firemen's hall.

**MILL BURNED.**—The mill-house of Messrs. Terrace & McAfee, near White Oak, was burned to the ground on Thursday night last about midnight. It is not yet known how the fire originated, but there is evidence supporting the theory that it was the work of an incendiary. Strenuous and earnest efforts will be made to ferret out the matter. The loss is about \$1,000, not covered by insurance.

**WINNSBORO PRECINCT.**—The vote at this place on Tuesday figured up as follows: At the Federal polls, Cleveland and Hendricks received 382 votes out of a total of 382, and Colonel Perry for Congress received 379 votes. At the State polls 384 votes were cast and the entire Democratic ticket, State and county, received that number. It is certainly one of the most remarkable facts in election annals for one party to obtain a unanimous vote at the most important precinct in a county, in a Presidential year at that. There was no intimidation in Winnsboro at all, and the election was the most quiet one here since the war.

**COTTON STATEMENT.**—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending November 7, 1884: Net receipts at all United States ports during the week 256,255; to same time last year 267,025; total receipts to this date 1,684,650; to same date last year 1,631,658. Exports for the week 161,140; same week last year 139,194; total exports to this date 820,737; to same date last year 740,396. Stock at all United States ports 749,322; same time last year 852,609; stock at all interior towns 83,670; same time last year 150,193; stock at Liverpool 436,000; same time last year 433,000; stock of American cotton for Great Britain 196,009; same time last year 161,000.

**THE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.**—The Fairfield Teachers' Association held its regular meeting at Saturday, November 1, Vice-President Robertson presiding. The following resolution offered by Mr. Turnpseed was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That our secretary be instructed to write to Colonel Coward, State Superintendent of Education, urging him as soon as he shall obtain an appropriation for the next State Normal Institute, to take immediate steps toward securing the services of Dr. Louis Soldan as Principal.

The Association adopted a resolution instructing the executive committee to call the next meeting at this place on the first Saturday in December, and to proceed immediately to prepare a programme for that occasion, and to publish the same at the earliest possible date. No other matter of public interest was before the Association.

**FRANK LESLIE'S SUNDAY MAGAZINE.**—The December number closes the sixteenth volume of this admirable publication, and is even more than usually interesting. Now is the time to subscribe, and the new volume promises to be of a brilliant character. In the present number "Raffaello Sanzio Da Urbino," "The Capital City of Georgia," "Schiller, the Poet of Freedom," etc., are prominent articles, beautifully illustrated. Alfredon Hervey continues the interesting sketches, "Sacred Musicians of the XIXth Century," the editor, Dr. Talmage, has a characteristic article, "The Epidemic of Swindle," and a sermon in the Home Pulpit, "The Dumb Prayer Answered." There are also serial and short stories, sketches, essays and poems by favorite writers, and a miscellany abundant and entertaining. The illustrations are numerous and fine specimens of art. The price is only twenty-five cents a number, or \$2.50 a year, postpaid. Address Mrs. Frank Leslie, Publisher, 53 and 57 Park Place, New York.

**ON THE FASHIONS.**—An exchange says: "Freelocks, have, this summer, been all the rage in fashionable American circles, and of course means have been devised for enabling fair faces to display the coveted beauty spots. To rub the visage with a certain kind of fine sand seems to have been an early device for producing them; and it is said that a considerable trade has been doing in 'freelock sand.' This probably did not always produce the desired result, and was found to have an unpleasant effect on tender skins. Artists have therefore come forward, and any lady may now have her beauty enhanced by any number of freckles she chooses to pay for at two shillings each—a reduction no doubt being made in taking a number. Every freckle is hand-painted, and provided the face be not washed too vigorously, is warranted to last three days, when it will require to be renewed—if of course some eligible suitor has not in the meantime been brought to surrender and to duly declare himself.

**AT THE BULLETINS.**—The intense excitement at the election bulletins in this place on last Tuesday night was not abated either during the daytime on Wednesday or on the night of that day and all Thursday, during the day and night, and on Friday the excitement increased to fever heat and the suspense was harrowing. Crowds of anxious and earnest Democrats all the while packed the telegraph offices and eagerly and anxiously awaited every bit of the slightest news. It was an intelligent crowd too that awaited there for news, and every bulletin, good and bad, was put down gladly for us and sadly against us. It was interesting indeed to watch the pulse of the through—one time up, another time down. Good news and bad news seemed to contend for the ascendancy, and as the one came the crowd cheered and yelled and whooped, and when a batch of bad news was bulletinized they pronounced it "bogs and a fig," and demanded something better. There were two offices vying with each other in giving the latest and the best intelligence, and if Blaine dispatches came to the one, the crowd would rush to the other, and vice versa.

**PREMIUMS AT THE CHESTER FAIR.**—In addition to the list of premiums awarded at the Chester Fair, already published, we take the following from the Bulletin:

Mosses Clowney—best bushel of rust-proof wheat, \$2.50; best bale of clover hay, \$2.50; best brood mare and suckling colt, \$10; best mare, showing largest number of colts on grounds, \$10.

S. T. Clowney—best stallion, four years and over, \$10.

Mosses Clowney—best male colt, two years old, \$5.

S. T. Clowney—best stallion colt, three years old, \$10.

John Bratton—best Cashmere buck, three years and over, premium not stated; best Ayrshire heifer, two to three years old, \$8; best Ayrshire heifer, one to two years old, \$6; best Ayrshire heifer calf, \$5.

Other premiums awarded are yet to be published.

Concerning the premiums awarded to Mr. D. R. Flenniken, the Bulletin makes the following statement:

The premiums awarded to D. R. Flenniken were forfeited to the Association because he withdrew his exhibit from the Fair contrary to the rules of the Association. The board of directors will decide the matter at their next meeting. Mr. Flenniken has written the secretary that he was ignorant of the rule and that he had withdrawn his stock and he knows it was contrary to rules. We advise the board to award the premiums according to the decision of the judges.

THE THEATRICALS.—The Standard Dramatic Company has closed another engagement for the season in Winnsboro, and all lovers of the drama here will regret its departure from our town. On Monday night this very excellent company gave to the public "St. Patrick's Eve," a beautiful Irish drama, of which mention was made in our last issue. The following was the cast of characters on Monday evening:

Kathleen.....Miss Alice Irving.

Lady Kavanaugh.....Miss Nellie Claire.

Kitty.....Miss Nina Ritchie.

Terrance O'More.....A. M. Hamilton.

Bernard Kavanaugh.....G. B. Canfield.

Billy Battenap.....S. B. McElreth.

Black Rudy.....W. McLaughlin.

Father O'Casey.....W. McLaughlin.

Red Barney.....S. B. McElreth.

Capt. Clairfield.....S. B. McElreth.

Mrs. Meloney.....S. B. McElreth.

Peasants, by the Company.

On Tuesday evening "Leah, the Forsaken," was given, with the following cast of characters:

Leah.....Miss Alice Irving.

Anna.....Miss Nellie Claire.

Rose.....Miss Nina Ritchie.

Old Martha.....Mrs. S. B. McElreth.

Jewess.....A. M. Hamilton.

Rudolph.....S. B. McElreth.

Peter.....S. B. McElreth.

Old Abraham.....G. E. Canfield.

Schoolmaster.....J. Harris.

Pastor.....W. W. McLaughlin.

Peasants, etc., by the Company.

The performances upon both evenings were fine indeed, and on Tuesday night exceptionally fine. In these entertainments Mr. McElreth more than sustained his very enviable reputation as a first class comedian, and he is justly regarded here as the very best actor of the kind that visits our town.

Miss Alice Irving was unquestionably at her best in Leah, and her rendition of her part was all that could have been expected. Miss Irving in many scenes of both plays was warmly applauded, and the impression she made was a very good one indeed. Messrs. Hamilton, Canfield and Harris, and Misses Claire and Ritchie and Mrs. McElreth made excellent supports. The music furnished by the orchestra was as fine as has ever been given to a Winnsboro audience, and it added much to the success and enjoyment of the occasion.

These performances were given in the Academy of Music to large and appreciative audiences. We hope the Standard Dramatic Company will soon return to Winnsboro.

## THE VOTE.

Election Returns from the County.

Durham's—The total number of votes cast at the Federal polls 79, of which the Cleveland and Hendricks electors and Colonel Perry, for Congress, received each 79 votes. Blaine & Co. a "goose-egg." At the State polls 64 votes were cast, all of which were received by the Democratic candidates for State and county officers.

Gladden's Grove—Total vote at the Federal polls 137, of which Cleveland and Hendricks electors received 106, and the Blaine and Logan electors 31. Colonel Perry received 106—no votes polled for an opposition candidate. All the votes polled at the State boxes were for the Democratic candidates, amounting to 128 votes.

Woodward's—At the Federal polls 150 votes were cast, of which the Democratic electors received 148 votes, the Republican electors 2, and Mr. Perry, for Congress, 140. At the State polls 147 votes were cast, all of which the Democratic candidates, State and county, received, there being no Republican votes.

Feasterville—At the Federal polls 187 votes were cast. The Democratic electors received 158 and the Republican electors 34 votes. Colonel Perry, for Congress, received 133, scattering 21. At the State ticket received 138. Major Woodward received for the Senate 157, J. C. Coleman 10. The other Democratic candidates received 140 votes. No Republicans voted for except the few votes for Coleman for the Senate.

Bear Creek—A total vote of 227 was polled at the Federal boxes, and the Democratic electors received of that number 223, and the Republican 4. Colonel Perry received 225. At the State polls 170 votes were cast, and all the Democratic candidates, State and county, received this entire vote—no Republican voted for at all.

Monticello—The total number of votes polled at the Federal boxes at this precinct was 246; of this number the Cleveland electoral ticket received 200, the Republican 46, Colonel Perry received 185. The State ticket received 197; Major Woodward, for the Senate, 150, and J. C. Coleman, for the Senate, 14; the Democratic Representatives 191 and other county officers 173.

Bythwood—At the Federal polls 158 votes were cast, all of which were

given to the Democratic electors and Colonel Perry for Congress. Returns from the State polls show a total vote of 158, and the Democratic ticket, State and county, received every vote.

Ridgeway—At the Federal polls 235 votes were cast and the Cleveland electors received 210 and the Republican electors 25. Colonel Perry received 210 votes. The State boxes show a total vote of 217. The State ticket received 194—Major Woodward, 197; Coleman, 9; county officers, 202.

Horch—The Federal boxes show a total vote of 145, all of which were given to the Democrats, both for electors and candidate for Congress. At the State boxes 152 votes were cast. The State ticket received 137 votes, Major Woodward, 141, Coleman, 11; county officers, 139.

These reports are from all the ten voting precincts, and though not wholly correct, they are substantially so, and show a light vote in the county. We hope to give more accurate figures after the official count is announced.

## THE OTHER SIDE.

What Our Spartanburg Neighbor Says of Our Correspondent's Article on the Dog Question.

The Spartanburg Herald commenting upon Mr. S. R. Rutland's article on dogs, recently published in THE NEWS AND HERALD, says:

A correspondent of the Fairfield NEWS AND HERALD raises a cry, a regular howl, against dogs. His hog and cattle food, prepared at night, was stolen by a half-breed, and he thought he would take the dog census of his neighborhood. Within one mile of his abode, he found fifty-three—eight being owned by whites and forty-five by colored people. He then estimated the dogs of the county at ten thousand, and at the lowest living estimate, the amount of bread, or its equivalent, consumed by them is equal to 65,000 bushels of corn. This corn would raise 750,000 pounds of pork, or enough for 5,000 people.

In Spartanburg county, with its 42,000 inhabitants, there are at least 10,000 dogs that are just as expensive as those of Fairfield, but one might as well attempt to deprive a man of the right to vote as to restrict him in the number of dogs he may own. The number of rabid dogs, there are at least five setters and pointers and they are about as destructive as the bob-tailed, yellow curs of the "nigger." Then the fox hunter must have his hounds and they make a pretty broad road through the cotton field when they start on a rabbit. Dogs are very much like people, they are not always under the best command. In fact we have seldom seen dogs much superior to their owners. It is hard for a dog to rise above its raising. The dogs of aristocratic owners will kill sheep and fowls and commit other gentled degradations that your yellow-eyed, slab-sided mongrel would not dream of.

The supreme happiness of the poor man, whether white or black, that is the owner of about one poor dog, is bounded, many dogs, no two alike in any way, is beyond human calculation. The pleasures of the fox chase sink into a somber and funeral procession, when you compare it with half a dozen negroes with about eighteen dogs, of all breeds, in labor for a day, and they are about as destructive as the bob-tailed, yellow curs of the "nigger." Then the fox hunter must have his hounds and they make a pretty broad road through the cotton field when they start on a rabbit. Dogs are very much like people, they are not always under the best command. In fact we have seldom seen dogs much superior to their owners. It is hard for a dog to rise above its raising. The dogs of aristocratic owners will kill sheep and fowls and commit other gentled degradations that your yellow-eyed, slab-sided mongrel would not dream of.

## CLERK'S SALE.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

James M. Yongue, Plaintiff, vs. Martha B. Boyles and Others, Defendants.

**IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF** the Court of Common Pleas, made in the above-stated case, I will offer for sale before the Court House door in Winnsboro, on the

**FIRST MONDAY IN DECEMBER** next, within the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, the following-described property, to-wit:

All that piece, parcel or tract of land, lying, being and situate in the County of Fairfield, in the State of South Carolina, containing

**TWELVE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX AND ONE-HALF ACRES,**

More or less, and bounded by lands of J. Davis, E. C. Anderson, Thomas Furnish, A. B. Bell, J. P. Watt, J. P. Wade, Thomas Robertson, Glazier Rabb and others.

**TERMS OF SALE:** One-third of the purchase-money to be paid in cash; the balance on a credit of one and two years from the day of sale, with interest, payable annually, from said day of sale until paid, the purchaser to give his bond, secured by a mortgage of the premises, and to pay for all necessary papers.

W. H. KERR, C. C. C. P. F. C.

Clerk's Office, Winnsboro, S. C., November 6, 1884. Nov6xt

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All that piece, parcel or tract of land, lying, being and situate in the County of Fairfield, in the State of South Carolina, containing

**ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE ACRES,** more or less, and bounded on the north by lands formerly belonging to John Simonson, deceased, east by the West Fork of Little River, south by lands of Walter C. Yongue and west by lands of Robt. E. Yongue.

**TERMS OF SALE:** One-half of the purchase-money to be paid in cash; the balance on a credit of one year, to be secured by a bond of the purchaser and mortgage of the premises sold, the purchaser to pay for all necessary papers.

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Frederick Steel and Others, Plaintiffs, vs. Lucinda Patterson and Others, Defendants.

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All that piece, parcel or tract of land, lying, being and situate in the County of Fairfield, in the State of South Carolina, containing

**ONE AND FOUR-FIFTHS** Acres, and bounded on the north by Fairfield Street, on the east by Vanderhorst Street, on the south by lots lately belonging to John Purrell and on the west by Garden Street.

**TERMS OF SALE:** One-half of the purchase-money to be paid in cash; the balance on a credit of twelve months from the day of sale, with interest from the day of sale, to be secured by bond of the purchaser and a mortgage of the premises sold, the purchaser to pay for all necessary papers.

W. H. KERR, C. C. C. P. F. C.

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## PROBATE JUDGE'S SALE.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

In the Court of Probate, William S. Alston, as Executor, Plaintiff, against Joseph K. Alston and Others, Defendants.

**IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF** the Court of Probate, made in the above-stated case, I will offer for sale, before the Court House door in Winnsboro, on the

**FIRST MONDAY IN DECEMBER** next, within the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, the following-described property, to-wit:

All that piece, parcel or tract of land, lying, being and situate in the County of Fairfield, in the State of South Carolina, known as the "Buffalo" or "Piney Woods" tract containing

**FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTY-THREE** Acres, more or less, and bounded on the north by lands of Charles A. Abell, on the south by lands of the Estate of John Brown, deceased, and on the east and west by lands of Russell Black and Aaron Edgar Powell.

The above-described tract of land is now being surveyed, and the sale will be made according to the plat which will be made known such survey. The plat will be exhibited on the day of sale.

**TERMS OF SALE:** One-third of the purchase-money to be paid in cash, and the balance in two equal annual installments, from the day of sale, with interest from the day of sale, to be secured by the bond of the purchaser and a mortgage of the premises sold, the purchaser to pay for all necessary papers.

J. R. BOYLES, J. P. F. C.

Probate Judge's Office, Winnsboro, S. C., November 10, 1884. Nov10xt

## CLERK'S SALE.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Jas. W. Bolick, as Administrator, and Martha L. McCarley, Plaintiff, vs. Hardy Hall, Defendant.

**IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF** the Court of Common Pleas, made in the above-stated case, I will offer for sale, before the Court House door in Winnsboro, on the

**FIRST MONDAY IN DECEMBER** next, within the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, the following-described property, to-wit:

All that tract of land, formerly belonging to the estate of John Vance, deceased, known as the "Hill Tract," lying and situate in the County of Fairfield and State of South Carolina, containing

**TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FOUR** Acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of E. P. Lupo, R. T. Yarbrough and others.

**TERMS OF SALE:** One-half of the purchase-money to be paid in cash; the balance on a credit of twelve months from the day of sale, to be secured by a mortgage of the premises and bond of the purchaser, the purchaser to pay for all necessary papers.

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All that piece, parcel or tract of land, lying, being and situate in the County of Fairfield, in the State of South Carolina, containing

**TWO HUNDRED** Acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of Oliver Sloan, Margaret J. Sloan, James P. Macie and others.

**TERMS OF SALE:** One-third of the purchase-money to be paid in cash; the balance on a credit of one and two years from the day of sale, with interest, payable annually, from said day of sale until paid, the purchaser to give his bond, secured by a mortgage of the premises, and to pay for all necessary papers.

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